Issue of receipts to owner of Survey No. 432/17 of Pudupalli pakuti for royal trees felled from his compound.

346. **MR. V. J. OOMMEN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they or the contractor issued a receipt for the teak trees felled from Survey number 432/17 of the Pudupalli pakuti to the owner of the above property; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the date of issue of the receipt?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Range Officer, Ettumanur Range, issued the receipt.

(*b*) 24th Minam 1105.

Check-measurements by Divisional Forest Officers of timber in Punalur, Tenmalai and Shencotta Depots.

347. **MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether measurements of timbers made and sent to the Depots by the Rangers are being check-measured by the Division Officers at the time they are received in the Depots; and

(*b*) if so, the number of such check-measurements made in the Punalur, Tenmalai and Shencotta Depots during the years 1104 and 1105?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No timber is check-measured by the Divisional Forest Officer at the time it is received in the depot.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know from the member whether the measurements of the timber made and sent to the Depot are accepted as true measurements by the Divisional Forest Officers?

MR. P. N KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): It is only at the time of the disposal of the timber, measurements are checked by Divisional Forest Officers.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether any verification is made at any time after these timbers are sent to the Depot?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether any difference in these measurements is recorded?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That information is not just now available.

Health and Maternity Relief and Child Welfare work.

348. **MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are at present (5-1-1930) any efforts organised by Government in the nature of Health and Maternity Relief and Child Welfare work apart from the Women's Hospital; and

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